

White Mountain Lodge No. 3 Trestle Board

From the desk of the Master

The M.O.V.P.E.R.

I belong to a lesser-known Masonic organization called the Mystic Order of the Veiled Prophets of the Enchanted Realm (M.O.V.P.E.R.) or more kindly and simply known as the Grotto. It has similarities to the Shrine, but never achieved the same popularity or prosperity.

The group was formed 1889 in Hamilton New York by a group of Masons to hold informal meetings and have some good natured fun and fellowship. The primary organizer was Leroy Fairchild. He thought that the lodges became too serious and that men would become better Masons if a little socializing and fun were interspersed with the formal teachings of the lodge. Members, known as Prophets, occasionally refer to it as the “Master Mason’s playground”. The idea caught on and in 1890 Fairchild organized a Supreme Council for the M.O.V.P.E.R. While it is not part of craft Masonry, a Grotto requires its member to be Master Masons. There are 123 local grottos throughout the U.S. and Canada. They have a Persian theme in their ceremonies and Grotto names. There are three in Arizona: Altan Kol in Tucson, Abbid in Kingman, and Rameses which meets at White Mountain Lodge. The Grottos may belong to a regional association. All the Arizona Grottos, along with a few California Grottos, are part of the Western Grotto Association. The Associations typically hold an annual convention.

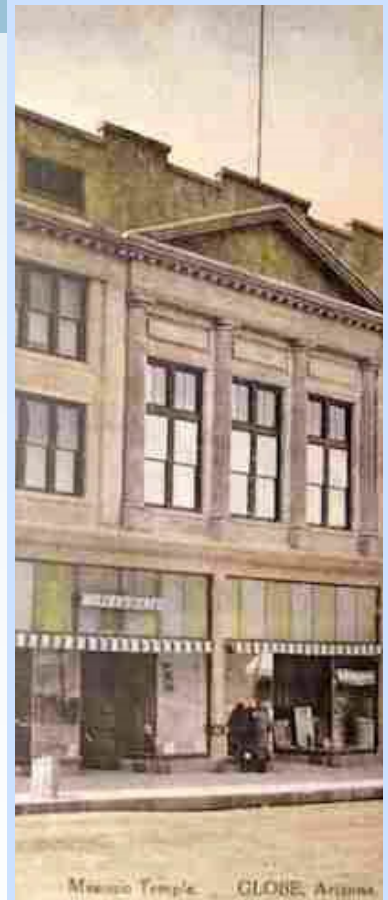
The Grottos support the Humanitarian Foundation, a charitable trust that provides dental services to special needs children. Many millions have been contributed by the Grottos, along with other philanthropic charities and projects.

You can find additional information by contacting a Grotto member and visiting the MOVPER website at www.scgrotto.org.
In Good Fellowship,

Mark Rutter

2019 Master

White Mountain Lodge No. 3 F. & A.M.



Stated Meeting

Nov 9, 2019

8:30 am
Breakfast

10:00 am
Stated Meeting

11:30 am
Rameses Grotto

1:30 pm
Globe Chapter
No. 7 R.A.M.

WB Mark Rutter
2019 Master

Clothe a Child Campaign

White Mountain Lodge No. 3 continues to be a leader in the Globe/Miami community by raising money for the annual Clothe a Child campaign for needy youth. Year after Year White Mountain Lodge works with local businesses to raise money to supply chooses children with very needed clothes and school supplies.

This amazing endeavor should be a year around effort to be successful! The Globe, Miami and Claypool area has many worthwhile children that could take advantage of our program!

Please consider making a donation or offering to volunteer for this year's event!

Masonic Charities of Arizona

Throughout its history, grants from Masonic Charities of Arizona have been provided to needy organizations in the various communities within the State of Arizona.

The purpose of the charity is to primarily assist those organizations throughout the State, engaged in relieving human suffering of any kind, which are dependent upon contributions from the public to accomplish their mission. Masonic Charities of Arizona is a non-profit organization whose objective is to channel contributions from Masons.

For more information and grant application go to

www.MasonicCharities.com

To support via Amazon.com
<http://smile.amazon.com/ch/94-2746389>



White Mountain Lodge No. 3 joins FACEBOOK

To better reach out to the local community and share information with the members, White Mountain Lodge No. 3 has joined the online community of Facebook. We will use the page as a public forum to share the activities of the Lodge with the community of Globe/Claypool/Miami and the surrounding area. We hope that this will not only raise the profile of the Lodge within the community but also help the Lodge be a bigger part of our community as a whole!

We hope that this sharing will not only help our philanthropic efforts but also elevate our standing in the community. We also hope that this will help our Clothe a Child program and other efforts while also letting the locals that we are here to join!

Bringing "Light" to Gila County!
Give us a 'Like' to follow along



Masonic Symbolism

The following has been taken from a paper produced by Quatuor Coronati Lodge, London, England with Additions by V.W. Bro. Barry D. Thom, Lodge McLeod #27, GL of NL (July 2017)

Masonry, a beautiful system of morality, veiled in allegory and illustrated by symbols.

Allegory - a story, poem, or picture that can be interpreted to reveal a hidden meaning, typically a moral or political one.

Symbol - a thing that represents or stands for something else. i.e.'the limousine was another symbol of his wealth and authority'

Masonic symbolism is a subject that should be approached with caution, especially by new Brethren. Unfortunately, it has been a happy hunting ground for mystics, imaginative writers and cranks of all kinds. In fact, more nonsense has been written about symbolism than on any other branch of Freemasonry.

Symbolism is not an exact science but it is largely guesswork and personal opinion, often without sufficient basis. Many Masonic writers regard themselves as authorities on symbolism, usually without any qualification, except membership of the Craft.

Brother Harry Carr considers that every man is fully entitled to work out his own symbolism. We have to regard the whole of our ritual as it stands today. We cannot separate the 17th century words and practices from those of the 18th or 19th century, when they stand in our ritual side by side. There is no yardstick by which we can measure what is right and wrong in the interpretation of symbols. Bro. Carr warns us against aberrations in symbolism, extremes of which have no justification in the symbol itself and which only mislead the reader. Real damage is done by those symbolists who need the dimensions of the pyramids, the mysteries of the heavenly bodies, the Tarot Cards, the Zodiac and equally complex paths towards truth.

My comments: Symbols did not appear in Masonry until around 1750. When the two rival Grand Lodges came together they were so numerous that our

Brethren decided to drop many of them. It was felt that they were unnecessary or that their significance was not fully understood. Included among these are:

- * the All-Seeing Eye - it represents the eye of God watching over humanity
- * the Beehive - represents, industry and cooperation,
- * the Book of Constitution guarded by the Tyler's Sword - represents, silence
- * the Broken Column - represents, untimely death
- * chalk, charcoal and clay - represents, freedom, fervency and zeal
- * high hills and low vales - represents, the requirement of secrecy
- * the key - represents, the tongue, meaning discretion in speech
- * The hour-glass - represents, life and time
- * a lion's paw - represents, strength
- * a pot of incense - represents, a pure heart
- * a trowel - to spread the cement of Brotherly Love
- * a broached ornel - possibly the predecessor of the perfect ashlar
- * the bone box - represents, the mouth, teeth, and tongue
- * a pyramid - represents, immortality
- * clasped hands - represents, fidelity and trust

The purpose of Masonic symbols was, and essentially is, to teach simple and pure truths. It would be well to listen to the advice of Bro. Harry Carr who wrote, "To find your own interpretation of our symbols is the very best kind of Masonic exercise. The only danger is that it may lead you too far from the simple explanations that were intended. Many of us have seen extraordinary and far-fetched examples that have no relationship to Freemasonry, and which could never have been in the minds of those who compiled or approved the actual words and procedures that are in use today".

FROM THE WEST

Brethren,

Memorization of meaningful skills are important for your mental health. Research abounds that using your brain for rote memorization increases the size of your brain, your quality of life, helps to slow down the aging of your brain, and slows down or outright prevents dementia. WOW—the old “use it or lose it,” is really true. And, contrary to popular Masonic myth, you can retrain your brain to learn another jurisdiction’s ritual. I can prove it, just ask me. Masonic ritual is full of values—good rules to live by; committing ritual to memory inculcates those values into your belief system.

Fraternally,

WB Lowell “Ed” Fox PM

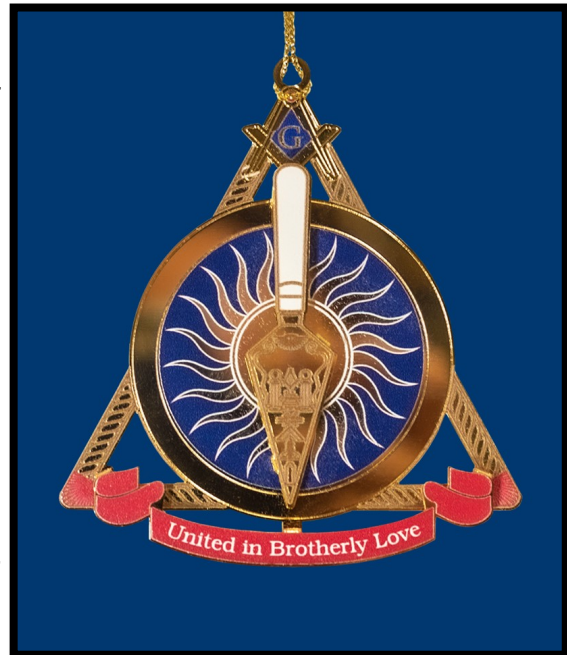
2019 Senior Warden

White Mountain Lodge No. 3

GEORGE WASHINGTON MASONIC NATIONAL MEMORIAL ORNAMENT

The George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association is proud to offer for the 2019 holiday season a beautiful gold and enamel plated ornament: The Working Tool—United in Brotherly Love.

This ornament unites several essential Masonic symbols that illustrate the crucial and divine lesson of brotherly love. The triangular frame, topped by the Masonic emblem over a sky blue circle, represents the Fraternity. The raised Trowel is every Master Mason’s primary tool: as the Trowel spreads the cement that unites the many different stones or bricks of a building into a single, strong whole, so Master Masons spread brotherly love to unites men throughout the world. Behind the Trowel shines the Blazing Star, an ancient Masonic symbol of Divine Providence, representing the divine nature of brotherhood. As President, Brother George Washington used an ivory-handled trowel to lay the cornerstone of the U.S. Capitol. Just as the trowel inspires Masons to use brotherly love to overcome their differences, the new American Republic united all the states under the motto E Pluribus Unum, “from many, one.”



To order yours, please call 703-683-2007, ext. 2017, or visit our website at http://gifts.gwmemorial.org/cgi-bin/webdata_gws.cgi?fid=1567624740&query=Category%2B1%3DHoliday%2BOrnaments%26pagenum%3D1%26cgifunction%3DSearch&cgifunction=form

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Sept/Oct Anniversaries

Steven Balke
Tim

Ralph Gerhardt 9/5/1964
Terry Tanner 9/7/1985

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW

**MARCH 7, 2020
PHOENIX, ARIZONA**

Degree Roster is being filled, if you are interested in a part in the 2020 Degree, please reach out to WB Paul Dore Sr. so that we can get you on the Degree team!

From the Archives

by Paul Dore PM

White Mountain Lodge has cause to feel proud; two of its members have received high honors in Masonry. We refer to Brother Wilbern P. Wood our secretary, who had the 33rd Degree of Scottish Rite Masonry conferred on him at the last meeting of the Supreme Council held in Washington, D.C. At the same time the Title and Rank of Knight Commander of the Court of Honor was conferred on Brother Guy A Ligon.

On August 4th, White Mountain Lodge held a picnic at Pinal Ranch in honor of Brother Gerald I. Craig and his bride. There were 120 Masons present with their families, who furnished dinner and all enjoyed the afternoon and evening.

Due to the depressed state of business and the general unsettled condition of the country the matter of delinquent dues and the per capita tax required serious consideration. With the cooperation of the Most Worshipful Marquis La Fayette Gibbons Grand Master of Free and Accepted Masons in Arizona, the difficulty in regard to the refund of the per capita tax, delinquent dues and the remission of dues was satisfactorily settled.

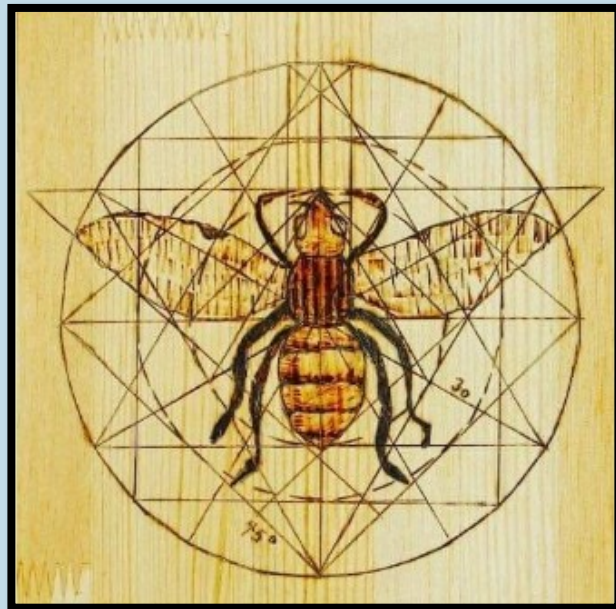
On November 7th, the Most Worshipful Marquis La Fayette Gibbons, Grand Master of Masons of Arizona made his official visit to the lodge.

Frederic LeBaron Jones 50 years

Symbol of industry

It's no wonder that operative masons came to see bees as beings of similar spirit, culture and intent. Bees have long been symbols of industry, stability, regeneration, wisdom and obedience. The bee works hard and tirelessly, not for herself, but for the benefit of the hive. She has a knowledge of material and process and works in cooperation with others. She is protective of her leader or Queen, opposes the admittance of enemies to the hive and lives in a society governed by law and order.

From ancient times, bees and their beehives have been important symbols and elements in almost every culture on Earth. The very term "industry," from an ancient perspective, referred to the employment of a very large number of men, tens of thousands in some instances. Individually, each man had his set task and together they accomplished much more than any one person could possibly do. Thus the beehive is that perfect emblem of the power of industry where the group works together toward a common goal.



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The oldest member of the lodge, Brother Frederic LeBaron Jones was presented with a fifty-year pin on December 5th. Brother Jones was made a Mason in Darien Lodge # 126, Darien, Wisconsin March 16, 1869. He became a member of this Lodge by affiliation on January 26, 1899. For faithful service to the lodge, Brother Paul Michaelson was made a Life Member.

The annual ball for Master Masons, their wives and families and the Ladies of the Eastern Star was held on December 22, 1933.

The Square and Compass Club, organized in 1922, continued its activities. With Brother Prentice A. Phillips a president many interesting and valuable meetings were held.

On February 22, 1934, a joint meeting was held at Miami with the Doric Lodge No. 26 to commemorate the illustrious brother George Washington. This meeting was held in accordance with the proclamation issued by the Most Worshipful I.M. Gibbons, Grand Master of Masons of Arizona.

A resolution was passed that all Past Grand Masters of the Grand Lodge of Arizona who are members of this lodge, as well as those in the future who may become Past Grand Masters, shall be given Life Membership in this Lodge.

Frederic LeBaron Jones was granted a Life Membership on July 3, 1934. Brother Jones is the oldest mason belonging to the Grand Lodge of Arizona.

On October 23, the Most Worshipful James Whetstone Grand Master of Free and Accepted Masons in Arizona made his official visit to the Lodge. During this visit, Past Master Louis G Moyers was presented with a Life Membership to this Lodge. With an interesting talk brother Moyers outlined his progress through the Grand Lodge. He expressed his appreciation of the honor the Lodge had conferred upon him.



MWB James Whetstone
1931 Grand Master
Grand Lodge of Arizona

Military Care Package Drive



**October until December 1st
Let's show these Men and Women
our support, Thank You for your help.**

Drop off locations are:

Jackson Hewitt Tax Office 240 N. Broad St	Copper Hen Restaurant 157 W. Cedar St.
Copper Bistro Restaurant 2118 E Highway 60	Arizona Silver Belt 298 N. Pine St

Some Suggestions:

Tooth Brushes, Hot Chocolate Mix, Chapstick, Lemonade Mix, Kool-Aid Pks, Iced Tea Mix, Salsa, Instant Oatmeal, Pretzels, Chips, Body-wash, Crackers, Gum, Mints, Hard Candy, Sunflower Seeds, Cereal Bars, Trail Mix, Pop Tarts, Ramen Noodles, Mac'n'Cheese in a cup, Hand Sanitizer, Razors, Plaquers (Dental Floss), Fruit Snacks, Hacky Sacks, Card Games, Socks, White T-shirts, Deodorant, Nerf Balls/-Frisbees, Headphones, Canned Fruit, Beef Jerky, Cookies, Dried Fruit, Nuts, Granola Bars, Loose Granola.

**Hand written cards and letters and any cash donations
will be used towards all postage for this event.**

Thank you!



Globe Chapter No. 7

Did you know that Globe is home to a Chapter of Royal Arch Masons?

The "Capitular" or Chapter Degrees of Freemasonry refers the four degrees of the York Rite system that follow the "blue lodge" or "Craft" degrees. The Holy Royal Arch is the final degree and the culmination of the Chapter experience for a candidate. The Chapter is the second body of the York Rite of Freemasonry (following the Symbolic or 'Blue' Lodge), though in some Jurisdictions it is considered the completion of the initial three degrees and is part of the regular Craft experience.

All Master Masons are eligible for membership.

Contact

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for more information

Globe Chapter No. 7 RAM

Companions,

Globe Chapter No. 7 RAM had a good showing at the Four Corners Festival in Winslow this year. There were approximately 70 Companions and 5 candidates in attendance of which two of the candidates were from our Chapter. We congratulate and welcome Companions Lee Apger and Dewey Jefferson on their Masonic journey. Companions Dewey and Lee were immediately put to work in assisting us in opening the Chapter on October 12 as there were several officers unable to make the meeting. We thank Lee and Dewey for willingly offering to assist the Chapter.

I hope all of us are studying the parts assigned for the Mark Master degree as we have a practice scheduled for November 9. Ritual proficiency is my goal for the year and it is most important when conferring the Mark Master on potential Companions. I would also stress the desire to be able to open Globe Chapter No. 7 Royal Arch Masons without the aid of ritual books. This will not happen overnight but remember that Time, Patience and Perseverance will accomplish all things.

Fraternally,

Jim Baker PM

2019-20 High Priest

Globe Chapter No. 7 RAM

**Congratulations to
William Greenen
Elected
2019-20
Grand High Priest
Grand Chapter
of
Arizona**

MEMORIAL PERPETUAL MEMBERSHIP

Would you like to remember a Masonic family member, Masonic friend or notable Mason? Recent changes in the Arizona Masonic Code now allow you to purchase a Memorial Life Membership for any deceased Mason that you wish to memorialize in White Mountain Lodge No. 3. The fee for these memberships is only 10 times dues. The Deceased Mason's name will remain on the Lodge's register for Perpetual Membership in perpetuity and the Lodge will receive an annuity every year from this help cover Lodge expenses. Contact Paul Dore Sr. Lodge Secretary for Memorial Perpetual Membership Application

American Education Week

The week of November 18 through 22, 2019 will be upon us soon and we as Masons should be aware of the significance of this week in American history. In 1919 immediately following WWI the National Education Association and the newly formed American Legion combined efforts to address a pressing need that was revealed during the buildup of troops for combat in WWI. Twenty five percent of the draftees were illiterate and seven percent unfit for service. This presented a serious problem training the draftees for service in a very short amount of time.

Both the American Legion and the National Education Association during their National Conventions in 1919 passed resolutions to address the need for educational awareness and opportunities for all. The first American Education Week observance was held in December of 1920 and has evolved and grown through the years to be observed the week prior to Thanksgiving each year.

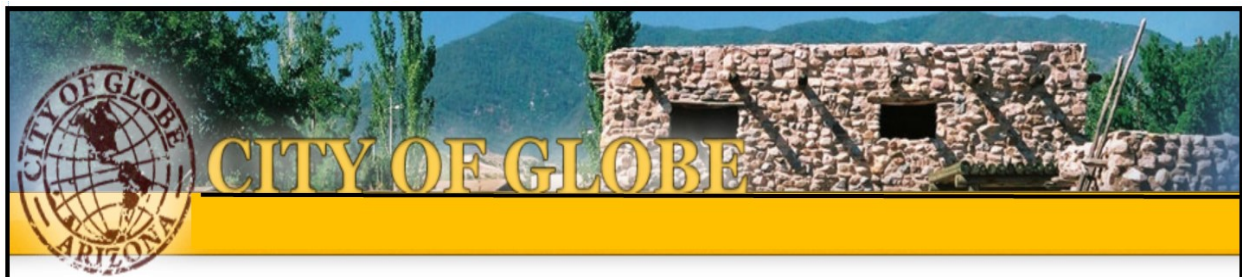


The Masonic significance of this week is in the access of information and availability and opportunity for all people to further their education and explore new ideas and share those ideas with others without fear of retribution from the authorities in power. I believe this desire to explore and share ideas was one of the leading factors of the formation of Modern Freemasonry 300 years ago.

One of our responsibilities as Masons is to devote a portion of each day to exercise the heart, mind and body. When these vital parts of Man are left idle, we decay and eventually die. Brothers, let us strive to keep active and improve ourselves through education both as students and teachers.

I hope all our Lodges will observe the spirit of MWGM Greg Vasquez's Edict No. 2019-03 by supporting and recognizing our Local Public Schools and the invaluable service they provide to the students in our communities.

Jim Baker
2019 Junior Grand Warden
Grand Lodge of Arizona



More Masonic Charities of Arizona donation

Our very own Secretary and Lifetime Achievement recipient, WB Paul Dore Sr. has been busy as Masonic Charities of Arizona President presenting checks to very worthy charities all around Arizona!



Pat Brink - President of the S.O.S., Servicemen & Women Overseas, a great Arizona Charity!



The Joy Bus is a Not for Profit organization whose sole purpose is to relieve the daily struggles of homebound cancer patients with a fresh Chef Inspired meal and a friendly face.



FROM THE SOUTH

Brothers all,

I attended a Third Degree at Gila Valley #9 this past Saturday. While I have been to many Third Degrees, this one really got me thinking about all this degree has to offer us. First it was done with brothers from Eloy #46 attending and helping in some positions. This brings brothers from around the area together for a common goal. That of helping to raise a new Master Mason. It also brings us together as Arizona masons not just masons from our own lodge.

As you watch (or participate) in a degree, think about what is being said and done. Each of us will see/hear things in our own way. These can help us reinforce the masonic principles we should be striving to live by in and out of the lodge. So the next time we attend a degree, think about what it is teaching us, and how we can apply it to our daily lives. `Let's keep moving towards a Perfect Ashlar.

Fraternally

Mark Nielsen PM

2019 Junior Warden

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